'Blades: Centuries of Swords, Bayonets and Bolos'

Now showing at the Quartermaster Museum!

Using more than 50 artifacts from the museum's collection, the exhibit chronicles the evolution of edged weapons with swords and bayonets used by the American and British Armies during the American Revolution, Civil War-era swords, both Union and Confederate, along with bolos and machetes developed by the U.S. Army for use as tools and as weapons. Among the more notable weapons exhibited include an 1759 British Infantry hangar produced for the Dutch East Indies Company, a Confederate cavalry saber used by a member of the 9th Virginia Cavalry, a sword belonging to Brigadier General Rufus Ingalls, the architect of the Civil War logistics base at City Point, and a rare 1847 Sapper/Miner bayonet.

The Quartermaster Museum is open Tuesday to Friday, 1000-1700 and weekends 1100-1700.

Call 734-4203 for further information.